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1. The Viitorul Shipyards in Braila [redacted] launched five double bottom barges with superstructure for timber transport. Six similar barges are under construction.
2. The Gheorghe Dimitrov Cooperative has under construction two lighters and three tugs. This Cooperative has finished 31 oil tanks (4 by 4 meters) on Government orders.
3. [redacted] near the village of Alunis Mures, along the railroad 50X1-HUM tracks, large numbers of anti-aircraft guns were covered with green camouflage nets. Many wood cases, presumably ammunition, were also seen. Soviet troops, tanks, and artillery have been seen between Targul Mures and Cluj on trains which took 50 minutes to pass.
4. Forty amphibious craft were seen at Galati (15 by 4 meters) [redacted] 50X1-HU
5. Seventy-five Soviet mine layers were made at the Sovromtransport Shipyards last year. Four tugs, 800 ton capacity, 20 meters long are under construction. Four 80 meter barges are under construction and six identical barges were delivered during the past year.
6. At Barbosi, four kilometers from Galati, on the right hand side of the Barbosi station, four Soviet ammunition storage areas are located. Soviet ammunition dumps are also located near the confluence of the Siret and Danube Rivers.
7. The Janos Herlech Factory in Cluj employs 4,800 employees. Four hundred workers are Rumanian, and the remainder are Hungarian. For the past two years this factory has been making shoes for the Soviet Army.
8. The arsenal in Simeria is disguised as a sewing machine factory.
9. From May to November 1950 Soviet troops and equipment have been passing through Arad steadily. The large Arad buildings were requisitioned by the Government for Soviet use. The Arad airfield is being enlarged and all transport facilities are drafted to haul cement and sand. Soviet troops are located in the Cetate area of Arad.

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10. An unspecified number of Soviet troops were observed in Timisoara during October 1950. There was also searchlight equipment, guns, and tanks. On the roofs of several villas, nearby the village of Malul Muresului, two Soviet soldiers with binoculars were observed.

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